GREEKS TAKE DAMAS SION.

THEY ARE ENCOURAGED BY SUC-CESSES OBTAINED YESTERDAY.

THE TURKS SHELLING TYRNAYO. THEY ARE ACTIVELY PREPARING

TREEA MINISTER LEAVES TURKEY.

FOR A GENERAL ADVANCE.

The Powers Advised to Maintain an Attitude Expectant of a Request Intervention-Edbam Pasha Reports Notable Viccories.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 20.-Edhem Pasha has wired the Sultan that he gained several notable victories yesterday, occupying all the fortified positions commanding Tyrnavo. He reports that he Greeks evacuated their intrenched camp, leaving behind thirty cases of cartridges and many rifles. The Turks, he says, have retaken Velitzko, which the Greeks surprised and captured on the first day of the frontier aggression.

The Turkish commander at Janina announces that the Greek fleet, which has been bombarding Prevesa, has been com-

the rallway, were attacked and defeated Turkish troops and peasants, and

nce have been in progress since dayweak. During the night the Greeks esblished themselves on the last height car Tyrnavo, opposite the position this position this morning, with a brisk firing from behind the defences. The combatants have not yet come into close quarters. The Greeks brought up several pieces of artillery, which were specific stlenged.

THE TURKISH NAVY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 20.-A second Turkish squadron left the Golden Horn this afternoon for the Dardanelles. It consists of the iron-clad Orhanien, the monitor Hifsirahman, the corvette Mansoura, five torpedo-boats, and four steamers, which have been converted into

Prince Mayrocordato, the Greek Minister to Turkey, has sailed for Athens. All the ambassadors except the German Ambassador went to the quay to bid him

SITUATION AT ARTA.

they strongly intrenched themselves. Colonel Manosis is now advanc-ing northward, in the direction of Paraskevs The Greeks repulsed an at-tempt of the Turks to cross the bridge, at 5 o'clock this morning. A number of Greeks, among them several officers, were killed, and others were wounded.

ALL GREEKS GOING TO THE FRONT. ATHENS, April 20, 6 P. M.-All the members of the gendarmeric and other police forces now organized as military are going to the frontier. The citizens have volunteered to guard the town. The orm determination to meet the Turkish invasion, and every man who can be spared, and who can bear arms, is going

The Athenian ladies, under the pa-tronage of the Queen, have converted the steamer Thessaly into a floating hospi-tal. Three hundred beds for the wound-ed have been fitted on board of the eamer, and she is now proceeding to

GREEKS BURN DAMASL

ATHENS, April 29 (Midnight,)-News has just reached here that the Greeks, after a desperate battle, have captured and burned Damast. Vigilia is still resisting. Another division of the Greek sisting. Another division of the Greek troops, it is reported, has traversed the Revent Pass, and captured three block-houses. This division has almost reached Damass, where it will effect a union with the force that captured the town. The 20,000 troops under General Smolenitz displayed the greatest bravery.

Revent lies twelve miles northwest of terison. Withen Pasha with a force value.

Larissa. Edhem Pasha, with a force va-riously estimated at from 10,000 to 14,000 troops, led seven assaults against it yesrday, but all were repulsed by the

Crown-Prince Constantine has tele-graphed here that the Turks at that point were completely and finally re-

In Athens greater attention has been paid to the operations in the neighbor-hood of Reveni than to those at Milouna Pass. The theory all along has been that if the Greeks could establish themselves

The exact situation at Tyrnavo somewhat in doubt. The news from that

point is conflicting, but there is no con-firmation of the rumor that the place has been captured by the Turks. What seems to have happened was that Tyrnavo was evacuated, in order to send troops for ward to Reveni, and was then reoccupied by troops returning from Milouna.

TURKS SHELLING TYRVANO. MILOUNA PASS, April 2 (Evening)-

The Turks have just commenced to shell the town of Tyrnavo. All the roads leading to Larissa are crowded with rugitives, shouting, "Reserves, don't try conclusions with the Turks."

leading to Larissa are crowded with fugitives, shouting, "Reserves, don't try conclusions with the Turke."

The Greek villages in the plain are completely descrited.

SEVERE ARTHLERY DUEL.

ATHENS, April 20—A disputch from Arta says that 3.69 Greeks have crossed the frontier at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been in progress since the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been in progress since the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been thrief to cross the river was the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been thrief to cross the river was the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been thrief to cross the river was the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been made in the footner at Eani, and a severe artillery duel has been made the Turkish Immuret fort, commandian to the sevent having occurred in Holy that the Constitute on Improvement of Jacres River be asked to report on Library and desired and positions of cooks on the city gain a saving of 300 to 280 to 1800 to 280 to 280

of Arta, to join the castern squadron,

SREEKS LACK ARTILLERY LONDON, April 20.—The latest details as t the fighting at Milouna Pass make it evident that the Greeks suffered severely, because of their lack of artillery Several of the war correspondents aver that if the Greeks had possessed any-thing like adequate artillery, the Turks would never have captured the positions so obstinately held by the Greeks.

GREECE ASKS FAIR PLAY. ATHENS, April 20.-The government has addressed a note to the foreign ministers and consuls in Greece, calling their attention to the fact that Greece, the has athered to the declarations of the Berlin Congress of 1850, and expressing the hope that foreign governments will respect the laws of neutrality.

NEW GREEK COMPLEXION. ATHENS, April 20.—The news of the capture of Damasi puts a new complexion upon the situation on the frontier, and is a great encouragement to the government, and is likely to have the most exhilarating effect upon the spirits of the Greeks, who had been greatly depressed by the reverses of their troops

at Milouna Pass.

If the Greek divisions effect a union at Damasi, as is expected, there is almost nothing in the way of their prompt advance to Elassona.

Edhem Pasha, and the Turkish troops sweep down the plain and advance to Larissa to meet the force concentrated there under the Crown-Prince, they will be between two grand divisions of the Greek army. This seems to have been the object of the Greek strategy.

pelled to retire, one division withdrawing to the interior of the gulf, and the large land in occupying the town with the large land force co-operating with the large land force co-operating with the bombarding warships, the road to Janina would be open, and the Turkish troops in Epirus placed at the most second disadvantage. The strategic value serts that the Greeks who landed at Eleutheropoli and reached Gojart, near the railway were attacked and defeated.

The railway were attacked and defeated. the hands of the Turks it makes possi ble a steady line of munitions and food that 100 Greeks were killed.

GENERAL TURKISH ADVANCE.

MILOUNA PASS, April 20 (Morning.)—
Active preparations for a general ad-On the other hand, the Greek troops could be revictualed by sea.

EXPULSION FROM EGYPT. LONDON, April 20.-A dispatch to the Times from Cairo says that the Turkish which the Turks captured last evening. Government has called upon the Khedive Nechat Pasha opened the attack upon to expel all Greeks from Egypt. As the

INTERVENTION OF POWERS. The Greeks are now concentrated near LONDON, April 20.—A telegram to the Times from St. Petersburg says that Count Muravieff, the Russian Foreign Minister, has dispatched a circular note ments have been seen crossing the plain in the direction of Tyrnavo.

Three batteries of Turkish artillery have arrived from Monastir. Grunkoff Pasha is now with the Turkish troops.

Minister, has disparted a transfer to the Powers, advising them to observe an expectant attitude, in case either Turkey or Greece should request intervention. The correspondent understands that all the Powers have agreed to continue to hold Crete with the forces already

VOLUNTEERS FOR GREECE. CHICAGO, April 20.—One hundred Greeks will leave Chicago to-morrow for New York, and will sail Saturday for their native land, to fight the Turk. At a meeting last night at the Greek church, these 100 men signed the roll of volunteers. Others will leave before the end of the week.

CABINET-MEETING TALK.

WASHINGTON, April 29.-The Graceco T h war was discussed in a general w. at the Cabinet-meeting to-day. All the members of the Cabinet were present. Secretary Sherman had no fresh advices Terreil, and the discus sion covered rather the news featurer of ATHENS, April 29.—An official dispatch from Arta says that after crossing the Aracthos at Bani, the Greeks occupied the villages of Neokori and Sakhikalama, where they strongly introduced that nothing further would be

THE DINGLEY TARIFF BILL.

Senate Sub-Committee Work-Modification of Retroactive Clause.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The presence on the floor of the Senate to-day of the members of the Republican sub-commit tee of the Senate Finance Committee, who tee of the Senate Finance Committee, who are engaged in preparing the tariff bill, was made the basis of much speculation. The members of the committee were closeted for a time with Senator Vest, of the Democratic side of the Finance Committee, and afterwards held individual conferences with other senators on both sides of the chamber. It was generally supposed that the committee had reached a point from which the end of its arduous work could be discerned, and that preparation was being made for a full meeting of the committee. This did not prove to be exactly true, but the visit was made for the purpose of smoothing the way for the final work. The committee is approaching the end of its labors, and various senators, who are making persistent demands for changes, were called in with a view to arriving at an understanding.

Among the problems which are yet unsettled are those relating to sugar, lead, ore, and wool. Some senators have manifested a disposition to hold out persistently for certain modifications of the schedules referring to these and other articles. The members of the committee while not indicating their own position or that of the committee, have thought it well to talk over these matters with the complaining senators. They are anxious to bring in a bill that will command the united support of the Republican party, and that will be sure to become a law. They think they will succeed, but beyond this they said little, except that they expect to report the bill to the full committee some time next week. The committee that some of the higher rates would abe practically probability. They have listened patiently to advocates of increases, but have granted few of the rates of the Committee that some of the higher rates would abe practically probability. The committee has practically agreed upon a modification of the retroactive clause of the Dingley bill, which, it is hoped, will be satisfactory to t are engaged in preparing the tariff bill

not satisfied with the rates of the Mantle amendment, but want a complete change of classification, and still insist that no wood shall be admitted at less than 8 ceats a pound. While some changes are probable in this schedule, it is quite certain these demands will not be entirely met.

ARCHBISHOP RYAN'S JUBILEE.

THE MAYOR REDUCED

COMMITTEE ON RETRENCHMENT

COMMISSIONS TO USE ECONOMY.

Reorganization of Health Department Recommended - Ordinance Regarding Granting of Street Privileges Sent to the Council.

The Council Committee on Retrenchment and Reform worked nearly all day vesterday. It convened at 4 P. M. and was in session, save during a short supper recess, until after midnight, and in that time a great deal of business was transicted, and several salaries underwent the colling process, so far as this body has the power to subject them to it.

A large number of recommendations were made to the Council, among them the reduction of the salary of the Mayor from \$2,500 to \$2,000; that of the Gas Inspector from \$1,500 to \$1,20; that, of foreman of the Lower gas-works from \$1.500 to \$1.200; authorizing the Boards of Police and Fire Commissioners and the School Board to report to the Council what rerenchment as to salaries and reductions their expense accounts they can make The sinking fund and other subjects were disposed of, and the committee is now ready to make a final review of its report before forwarding it to the Council.

THE SESSION IN DETAIL. THE SESSION IN DETAILS.

The committee was called to order in Room 5. After the usual preliminaries. Dr. Taylor was introduced by Mr. Noble who moved that he should be heard as to the propriety of the office of City Coroner being held subject to election by the Council.

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Dr. Taylor said that it was highly important that the Judge of the Hustings Court should be the appointing power, as the Ceroner's court was intimately connected with the Hustings Court, and only remotely identified with the Council. Dr. Taylor said he felt sure that under the present arrangement he would be continued in office, but if the nower of appointment were vested in the Council he feared that he should have to turn politician and commence wire-pulling, for which he was but poorly entipped. The office of the Coroner, ne said, must of necessity be filled by a spientist. Dr. Taylor concluded by asking the committee in leave his appointment in the hands of the Judge of the Hustings Court, and not to turn so important an office into a political one.

FAVORS THE FEE SYSTEM.

Mr. Noble then moved that Mr. Hancock, the Harbor Master of Richmond, be heard on the fee system and the present method of remuneration of his office. Mr. Hancock said he had learned from the papers that the salary of Harbor Master was to be reduced, and he wished respectfully to suggest that the harbor should be conducted on the fee system, and that the Harbor Master's office should not be a salaried one. Under this system he thought he might make rather more than the amount of his salary, but the city would be relieved that he might make as much as \$500 a year under the system. The State laws provide for such a system, and he does not anticipate any difficulty in collecting the dues. He spoke of the systems in vogue in other cities and the dules of the Harbor Master here, which consist in keeping the channel clear, providing berths for vessels, and settling disputes that arise in port.

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Mr. Finnerty, the Weighmaster of the Second Market, was next before the committee, petitioning that he might be paid a salary, and not left to the tender mercies of a fee system, which only brought him about \$200 a year and made extravagant demands on his time including the duty of weighing the coal for

the city.

Mr. Harrelson submitted a proposition from the Weighmaster of the First Market for the lease of the machine, for which he was willing to pay to the city a sum amounting to 6 per cent, on the invest-

ment.
The matter was briefly discussed and dropped, no motion being made to reconsider the action of the committee when these positions were dealt with,

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

The report of the sub-committee appointed to investigate the Health Department was taken up, and considered by sections. As amended, the report recommends the creation of a street-cleaning department, to be under the supervision of a superintendent, who shall be elected by the Council, and receive \$000 a year compensation; it reduces the salary of the President of the Board of Health to \$500 a year, and fixes the salary of the physician at the almshouse at \$600 a year, and provides that the President of the Board of Health shall fill both positions. It further recommends that the four sanitary police shall be returned to the police force, and the Chief of Police instructed to detail as many of the force as may be necessary to perform duty as sanitary inspectors during epidemics or other emergencies. HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Inspectors during epidemics of other emergencies.

The ordinance framed by the sub-committee appointed to investigate the condition of Broad street was adopted. The ordinance provides that any company or person applying for a privilege to occupy or use any street of the city shall file with their application plans and specifications showing the location, character, and extent of the proposed work, and how it would affect the then condition and grade of the sidewalks, gutters, or road-bed.

THE CITY ALMSHOUSE.

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After a recess for supper the committee got back to work at \$29 o'clock, and remained in session until after midnight. The first matter considered was the report of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, stating that for the proper government of the City Almshouse it was necessary to have an assistant, a first and a second assistant superintendent and a seward, and that the charge that the first assistent had been doing some outside collecting doring business hours had been satisfactorly investigated. On motion of Mr. Jones, the report was received and filed.

Ebel called the attention of the

Mr. Ebel called the attention of the body to the fact that the committee had taken up the matter of disposing of the office of Second Assistant Superintendent of the Almshouse, and on his motion the place was left as it stands.

This disposed of the department of the city poor, and the committee took up the question of the compensation received by the secretary of the Electoral Board. It was stated that this position haid \$250 per annum, and that it was being filled by Captain Thomas Ellett. Mr. Jones thought this too much money to be paid out for the work to be done, and suggested that it might be well to allow a certain sum—say \$25—to the secretary for every legal election. It was learned that the compensation was fixed by ordinance, and, on motion of Mr. Harrelson, the committee recommended that this ordinance be so amended as to fix the secretary's salary at \$100 per annum.

JAMES RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

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The James River Improvement and its officers, and employees, and their compensation were considered at some length. It was observed that \$17.00 had been appropriated for the pay-roll account of this department, and Mr. Jenes stated that he was of the opinion that the Committee on Retrenehment and Retorm should recommend to the Council that the Committee on Improvement of James River be asked not to expend more than \$1,000 upon its pay-roll during the first year 187. Mr. Noble explained that the Committee on James River Improvement had aboished the positions of cooks on the city tug, at a saving of \$700 te \$500 a year.

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Mr. Zimmermann made a forcible argument in behalf of the police force, saying that the character of the men composing it, and the demands upon them to rear their families properly, made it difficult for these men to live upon less than they were getting. He was opposed to reducing their compansation upon the furtiler ground that the city required good, courageous men as its ofneers, and there were so few of them as to make each man's responsibility great and his beat long.

RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1897.

MR. HARRELSON'S CHARGE. "I do not believe that Richmond has such an efficient police force as it is claimed," said Mr. Harrelson, to the surprise of those present, "I have gone many a time for four or five blocks without seeing a policeman anywhere, and from what I have heard, I think we could make some reductions in this department.

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"That simply bears out what I have said," deciared Mr. Zimmerman. "Our force is too small now, and the men have too much territory to cover." Mr. Zimmermann added that the Good Government League pledged itself not to urge any reduction in the compensation of the police and fire departments, and that this fact was at the time published in the Richmond papers.

Mr. Rountree agree with Mr. Zimmerman, but the committee, on motion of Mr. Jones, adopted a resolution asking the Board of Police Commissioners what recommendations that body can make as to retreachment in pay-roll accounts and reductions in the expense account of its department, and stating that in the opinion of the City Council a reduction in the expense account in the department was necessary.

The same resolution was offered and adopted as to the Fire, Fire-Alarm, and School Departments.

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There was a great deal of informal discussion over the fact that the Beard of Aldermen had refused to consider the report of the Conference Committee in relation to the Gas Inspector, and the assistant gas inspectors, &c. Mr. Noble explained what recommendations the Committee on Light had made in regard to these matters.

Mr. Jones moved that the committee send to the Council an ordinance fixing the salary of the foreman of the Lower caseworks at \$1.200 per annum. At present this officer gets \$1.500 a year. The motion of Mr. Jones prevailed, and there was much talk about the compensation hald the foreman of the Upper gas-works, but no action was taken upon it, the committee having previously recommended that it be fixed at \$1.200 per annum. The committee agreed that the salary of the Gas Inspector he reduced from it 200 to \$1.200 a year. Mr. Ebel argued that this salary should not be cut more than \$1.00 a year, since this would be about the same proportion other officers frawing about the same compensation had been reduced.

REDUCED THE MAYOR'S SALARY. The most interesting debate of the eve The most interesting debate of the evening occurred over a proposition to reduce the salary of the Mayor. The chairman stated that the City Council had the right to cut this salary, but not to take effect during the term of any Mayor. Mr. Rountree was of the opinion that the Mayor of Richmond should either be paid a nominal sum and the office be an honorary one or the compensation should be largely increased. He was not in favor of a reduction unless it was one which would make the place purely one of would make the place purely one of

would make the place purely one of honor.

Mr. King offered a motion to reduce the salary of the Mayor, effective from July 1, 1888, from \$2,500 to \$1,000. He said he remembered when the place only paid \$1,500, and an effort was then made to have it cut down to \$1,200. The increase to \$2,500 was made during Mr. Carrington's incumbency of the office.

Mr. Zimmermann was opposed to reducing the compensation of the Mayor, as he thought it would be lowering the dignity of the office.

A motion was made by Mr. Harreison, as a substitute to Mr. King's motion, to recommend a reduction of the Mayor's salary to \$1,800 a year, but this was voted down and Mr. King's proposition prevailed.

The SINKING FUND.

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There was a lengthy discussion over what legislation should be recommended clative to the future conduct of the inking fund. Special-Accountant Mc-larthy was asked for his views regarding his question, and stated that in his nictor the presum condition of the city's

to pay the \$70,000 due it from last year on May 1st.

Mr. Noble said from what he could learn, the sinking fund was not now being conducted in accordance with the law. It was explained that this was not the case, and after a great deal of talk as to how the fund should be kept, the securities to be invested in, &c., the committee adopted a resolution authorizing the City Attorney to appear before the Legislature at its next session and have the charter of the city so changed as to allow the Sinking-Fund Commissioners to invest in either city. State of Virginia, or United States bonds, instead of city of Richmond bonds alone, and to require the Sinking-Fund Commissioners to make detailed quarterly reports to the City

committee adjourned to meet again The Water Committee Meets.

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The Committee on Water met in regular session in Room No. 5 of the City Hall at 7x0'clock last evening. Those present were Meesrs. Briggs (chairman). Cutchins. Garber. Montgomery. Stokes. Tanner, and Zimmermann. A communication was received from Dr. W. H. Parker, asking for free water for a poor lady who resides on Grace street near Fourth. The petition was granted.

The pay-rolls of the department amounting to \$1.725.49, were ordered to be paid.

Superlatendent Boiling was directed to advertise for bids for supplies for the department for this year, and for proposals for water meters. He was also instructed to have certain repairs made to the house of the keeper of the Marshall reservoir, and to have the watch-house of the New reservoir repainted and certain repairs made to some of the fire hydrants.

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A sub-committee was appointed to in-estigate and report at the next meet-ing the question of the repairs needed o Pumps Nos. 1 and 2 at the Old pump-ouse, and to report upon the competency of the water-meter ordinance, the de-rability of a change in it, etc. The Chair laced Messrs, Tanner, Stokes, and

Cutchins.

The Finance Committee failed to get a quorum last night, owing to the continuous session of the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

COLONEL MOSEY DID NOT SPEAK. Overcome by Stage Fright at Com-

monwealth Club Last Night. The April smoker of the Common wealth Club was held last night, and it naving been announced that Colonel John S. Mosby, the fearless guerilla chieftain, would deliver an address, the attendance was much larger than is usual on such occasions, and the gentlemen of the club looked forward with great pleasure to

Colonel Mosby, who had accepted an colonel mostly invitation to give some of his reminis-cences, was on hand early in the eve-ning, and as he drifted around in the parlors of the club, as he conversed with many friends, he was the cynosure of

BLUE GRASS FIGHT.

HUNTER SAYS HE WILL WITH-DRAW, BUT WHEN!

THE SICK DEMOCRAT APPEARS.

This Makes the Senate Full (No Pan Intended), for the First Time This Session - Threatened Bell-Crumbough Contest.

FRANKFORT, KY., April 20.-Those who have up to this time doubted that Dr. Hunter, the indicted Republican nominee for the United States Senate, would withdraw, gave up all hope this morning when they learned that he had issued the following statement, over his own signature:

"I have gone over the whole situation carefully, and I admit that I do not know where my one vote is to come from. Under the circumstances, I am willing to ay that I shall not prolong the fight beyond a reasonable time, when I see that it is hopeless. This proceeding before the grand jury has had absolutely nothing to do with my change of front It has not been a factor in the fight, except to solidify and strengthen the loyalty of my friends. It was simply a transparent conspiracy to defame me. (Signed) "W. GODFREY HUNTER."

Just when he will withdraw is a matter that is as yet doubtful, but in all probability he will get out of the race to-morrow. But he will not do so until he and his supporters have settled on a man to become the nominee of the new caucus. Who that man will be is doubtful, but it is generally conceded that the fight will be between Judge W. H. Hoit and Senator W. J. Deboe. The lat-ter has the best chance, as Hunter is said to be sore on Judge Holt, because

he has not taken off his coat and worked for him as Deboe has.

A sensation was created just before the time for the Senate to assemble. It was known that Mr. Hager, the new Democratic Senator, had arrived with his certificate, and would be sworn in this morning. But when the train came in it bore Senator Ogilvie, the sick Democrat, who has not been here before this seswho has not been here before this session. This made the Senate full for the first time this session, with 138 members in joint session-70 Republicans, and 68 Democrats—and 70 once more necessary to a choice. It put Hunter one vote further from an election, and made more certain the impossibility of his election than has the indicament or any other occurrence this session. It also made it occurrence this session. It also made it necessary for a new nominee, in order to

FIFTY-FIRST BALLOT. When the joint assembly met both the new Senator and Senator Oglivie were on hand. Many pronounced the bringing hand. Many pronounced the bringing here of Senator Oglivie, who looks like mocrats demanded a preliminary roll-call. The latter showed present and unpaired 108, and 55 necessary to a choice The fifty-first ballot began, but all voted as they have done heretofore, and the ballot stood: Hunter, 53; Blackburn, 38; Martin, 12; Boyle, 5; Stone, 1. Nearly all the Republicans opposed to

Dr. Hunter were absent and paired. Stege was away, without a pair, and this explained why Hunter came within two o plained why Hunter came within two of an election, even with Hager and Ogilvic here. No motion for adjournment was made, and the fifty-second ballot began. The announcement that the Bell-Crum-baugh contest would come up caused a great deal of excitement, for should the Democrat, Bell, he seated, the strict party years would be a tie-59 and 69-and just this question, and stated that in his opinion the present condition of the city's finances was due to the manner in which the sinking fund had been managed during the past twenty years. The city had paid off its obligations to the sinking fund from year to year, and would have to pay the \$70,000 due it from last year on May 1st.

Noble said from what he could

thing they have not had since the session of last winter, their present policy being solely to prevent an election.

The second and third ballots resulted exactly as did the first, after which the General Assembly adjourned, on motion of Senator Bennett, a Hunter man.

The statement given out by Hunter friends this evening that he had preparfriends this evening that he had prepared a card withdrawing from the senatorial race has served to bring another big crowd of politicians to the capital. Many of those who arrived to-night came to urge him to remain on the ticket, and the others are candidates who hope to be made the new nominee. The knowing ones say Hunter may have prepared such a statement, but he is not preparing to withdraw. His enemies say that his intimations that he will withdraw are made Hunter's withdrawal are urging with such a state of affairs there would surely be a wrangle and row that would make as difficult the election of the nominee as seems that of the present standard-bearer.

WESTERN PASSENGER AGENTS. Part of Their New Agreement o Doubtful Legality.

CHICAGO, April 20 .- A division of sen timent is likely to be developed at to-morrow's mass-meeting of general passenger agents of western roads, called to consider the draft of an agreement for consider the draft of an agreement for a new association. As it stands, the agree; ment has been endorsed by the great majority of Chicago and St. Louis roads. Two articles in it, however, seem to be of somewhat questionable legality, and to be brought forward at an inopportune time. One of these makes it incumbent on the chairman to co-operate with the State and Interstate Railroad Commissions in securing the maintenance of legal rates. The other empowers him to declare a cessation of business relations with any outside connecting road which persists in demoralizing rates after it has been duly notified to maintain them. It is altogether likely that the agreement will be adopted as it stands.

Fears were generally expressed to-day that there are several of the western toads which will refuse to become members of the reorganized Western Passenger Association. They belong to what is known as the "weak" group, and it is intimated that their declination is partly due to their not wishing to the their hands in the matter of rates or other devices by which traffic may be attracted to their lines. The avowed reason for their reluctance to become members is the matter of expense. In times like these, when business is extremely light, some roads find their monthly assessment for association expenses quite a tax on their revenues.

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The refusal of a few lines will not, how ever, prevent the strong lines from going into a compact on their own account They will form an association, with or without their weak brethren.

MAN BURIED ALIVE. Subject of a Hypnotist-No Law to Prevent It. SIMCOE, ONT., April 20.-Professor

Ferris, hypnotist, placed a subject in trance here yesterday afternoon and Street Station. to remain three days. Sheriff Jackson ordered the professor to take the man out or suffer arrest. The Professor refused, stating that he was violating no law, and after consultation with the County Attorney, the Sheriff finds that he can take no action. There is a great deal of excitement over the case.

A Pretty Home Wedding in Baltimore Yesterday.

BALTIMORE MD. April 20.—(Special.)
Miss Martha Parker Ramsay, daughter
of Colonel and Mrs. Henry Ashton Ramsay, was married at high noon to-day to
Mr. William Henderson Ruff, of the
Washington Bar. The ceremony was performed in the drawing-room of the
bride's home, 1007 Cathedral street. the

Rev. Edwin Niver, of Christ Protestant Epigeopal church, officiating, in the presence of the immediate families of the couple and a few intimate friends of the bride only.

The bride wore a gown of white organdic over white silk, with a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms, and carried bride's roses. Miss Margaret Ramsay, the bride's sister, and Miss Mary L. Cooke, of Norfolk, her cousin, acted as bridesmalds. They wore gowns of white organdic with pink ribbons, and carried bink roses.

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Mr. Roy Stephenson, of Winchester, Va., was best man, there being no other attendants. Following the wedding a breakfast was served for the bridal party; after which Mr. and Mrs. Ruff left for the honeymoon. On their return they will live in Washington.

Mrs. Ruff will be remembered in connection with the reunion of Confederate veterans in Richmond last June, upon which occasion she represented Maryland as sponsor in the delegation of young girls sent from every Southern State.

CORBETT CHALLENGES FITZ.

He Deposits the Sum of \$5,000 as

Forfeit. NEW YORK, April 20.-James J. Corbett to-day formally challenged Robert Fitzsimmons to meet him once again in the prize-ring, and deposited \$5,000 as a The challenge was as follows:

"To Robert Fitzsimmons, Champion of the World:

"I hereby challenge you to box me any number of rounds for the championship of the world, under the provisions of the law, before the club offering the best inducements. law, before the cuto offering the ossimulucements.

"As it would be a violation of the law to propose a side-stake, that is a detail that may be settled at your pleasure.

"As an evidence of my sincerity, I have to-day deposited the sum of \$5,000, which I invite you to cover, and name a time will place to meet me and arrange the final details. JAMES J. CORBETT."

Fitzsimmons is still to be heard from.

FITZSIMMONS'S RESPONSE. PHILADELPHIA, April 20.—Fitzsimmons to-night declared that he meant to pay no attention to challenges from Corbett or any one else for a time, as he had earned a rest and meant to have it. He added, however, that he proposed to follow Corbett's example as dictator of the prize-ring, and his reply was that the latter should earn a reputation as a lighter, instead of a boxer, before he presumed to challenge him.

ELECTIONS IN ILLINOIS. Party Lines Not Sharply Drawn-Re-

sults Various. CHICAGO, April 20.-Municipal elections were held throughout Illinois today. Reports received up to 11 o'clock to-night indicate that party lines were to-night indicate that party lines were not sharply drawn. Streator, Centralia, Pontiac, Bloomington, Joilet, Decatur, and Lemont elected Republican Mayors, and in Freeport, Kankakee, Litchield, Jacksonville, and Peorla, the Democratic mayoralty ticket was victorious. In the last-named city, John Warner was the successful candidate, winning by the narrow plurality of seventeen, out of a total voite of 10.460. The Republicans will contest.

contest.

In Rockford, the election was the hottest in the history of the city, the American Protective Association question being the issue. The present Mayor was re-elected on the anti-American Protective Association ticket. Banville elected an independent candidate, the Republicans carrying the balaface of the ticket. In Cairo the victor turned up in the Civic Federation candidate.

GRADUATES IN MEDICINE.

Prize-Winners at the University of Maryland. BALTIMORE, April 29.—The ninetieth ommencement of the School of Medicine of the University of Maryland was held at Ford's Opera-House this afternoon.

The exercises were elaborate, lasting from aoon until 2 o'clock. Seventy-four grad-unter received diplomas and took the Hippocratic cath.

The prizes and those who won them are as follows: University prize, gold medal, James B. Love. Florida; second, practice of medicine, prize gold medal, R. H. Mc-Ginnis. North Carolina; third, surgical prize, instruments, Lucius Newton Glenn, North Carolina; fourth. Miltenberger prize, instruments. Samuel Peachy La-tane. Maryland; Fifth. opthalmological prize opthalmoscope, F. Delaplaine Wil-its, Maryland.

Honorable Mention-B. McGinnis, North on until 2 o'clock. Seventy-four grad-

Maryland; R. H. McGinnis, North

His Sentence Commuted to Impris-

HARRISBURG, PA., April 20.-The Board of Pardons to-night recommended commutation of the death sentence imposed upon James B. Gentry for the murder of the actress, Madge Yorke, to imprisonment for life. It was officially announced that Governor Hastings would approve the recommendation. Gentry to have been hanged next Thursday.

Election in Omaha. Election in Omaha.

OMAHA, NEB., April 20.—The election here to-day was conducted under discouraging circumstances, a cold rain failing all day. The public interest was light, and the vote was remarkably small. Party lines were not shatply drawn, but a semblance of politics was given the affair by the fus on of tiemocrats, Populists, and Free-Silver Republicans against the Republican nominees. At midnight it was apparent that Frank E. Moores (Republican) was elected Mayor over E. E. Howell (Fusion) by less than 200.

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CUBAN. WAR.

MR. MORGAN'S RESOLUTION AGAIN UP IN THE SENATE.

SITUATION IN CUBA

It Is Abominable, Says the Alaba

Senntor, and Cannot Be Permitted Much Longer-Agricultural Bill Passes-Bankruptey Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 20.-Senator Morgan's resolution declaring that a state of war exists in Cuba was discussed briefly in the Senate to-day, and then went over for a week, owing to the absence of Senator Hale, of Maine, who

has been active in opposition. A resolution offered by Mr. Hoar (Republican), of Massachusetts; was agreed to, requesting the Secretary of the Treasury for comprehensive information as to the machinery of government of all foreign nations with which we have diplomatic relations, the taxes or excises and methods of collection, imports and exports, the method of aiding the merchant marine, discriminations against American merchant vessels, public inlebtedness, etc.

Another resolution offered by Mr. Cullom (Republican), of Elinois, requests the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to the effect of the present internal revenue-tax on the honest production of distilled spirits, to what extent illicit distillation had occurred, and all further information that will aid in pro-tecting the government against frauds. In this connection, Mr. Cullom stated that he understood that one-third of the high wines produced in this country came from illicit distillation. Mr. Gorman (Democrat), of Maryland.

wanted time to look into the resolution, as it characterized the present rates as "high," and he did not know that the Senate desired to pronounce this tax as Mr. Cullom modified the resolution.

striking out the words "high rates," and substituting "present rates,"

Mr. Hoar (Republican), of Massachusetts, wanted the resolution broadened so as to give information on alcohol used in the arts. He said it would be of great importance in the consideration of the tariff bill, and in this connection he stated that he would propose an amendment to the tariff bill, exempting from tax alcohol used in the arts. The resolution finally went over. lution finally went over.

SITUATION IN CUBA.

In consenting to his resolution's going over for a week, Mr. Morgan said the cver for a week, Mr. Morgan said the terrible and abominable situation in Cuba could not be allowed to go on much longer. He had just listened to the testimony of a witness before the Committee on Foreign Relations, which presented a shocking condition of affairs in Pinar del Rio. It was morally impossible that the people of the United States should close their eyes to these horrors much longer, "We are," he said, "aroused over Greece, Crete, and Armenia, but much longer, "We are," he said, "aroured over Greece, Crete, and Armenia, but the very stench of these horrors is under our nose." He wanted Americans protected, and scenes worse than those in the bloody days of the Natherlands brought to an end. If the Senate passed this resolution, as he believed it would, however the senate passed the senate passed

human lives would be saved.

Mr. White asked that the testimony regarding horrors being taken before the committee would be printed and made available to senators. "Of course it would," responded Mr.
Morgan sharply, "the committee was not
adopting dark-isntern methods."

Mr. White said he would venture another inquiry. He had heard it intimated that the President was about to send a commissioner to Cuba. Would it not be desirable to await the report from this commissioner before taking action?
There was no need of awaiting further reports, answered Mr. Morgan. The country had been deluged with reports, and unimpeachable evidence, for the last

Mr. Morgan said no information had come to Congress as to the appointment of a commissioner to Cuba. It was generally understood that the cor

rally understood that the commissioner would confine his inquiries to the case of Dr. Ruiz, which was but one of many. It involved only the question of Indemnity or apology, and did not affect the general question of the attitude of the United States toward Cubs.

"Except to delay all actioh," remarked Mr. Allen (Populist), of Nebraska.

Mr. Morgan went on to say he expected that when this commissioner came ed that when this commissioner came hack from Cuba, another one would go. In the mean time, devastation, ruin, cruelty, and extermination were going on in Cuba. But two countries on the face of the earth were engaged in this repression of human liberty-Turkey and Spain.

The agricultural appropriation bill was then taken up and passed without amend-At 1:40 P. M. the Senate went into executive session. BANKRUPTCY BILL.

At 2 o'clock the Senate came out of executive session, and the bankruptcy bill was formally laid before the Senate. In the course of the debate, Mr. Allen (Populist), of Nebraska, announced that he would obstruct in every way possible any bankruptcy bill which included involuntary bankruptcy.

Mr. Nelson (Republican), of Minnesota, amended his substitute bill so as to over-

come criticisms heretofore made.

Mr. Morgan gave notice that he would seek to secure a test vote on the pending Nelson substitute, by moving, at 4 P. M. to-morrow, to lay the substitute on the Mr. Bacon (Democrat), of Georgia, sub-mitted numerous amendments modifying the stringency of the original bill, as applicable to debtors.

At 4:10 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

The House was not in session to-day.

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The Weather. WASHINGTON, April 20.-Fore-

AIR cast for Wednesday:
For Virginia and North Carolina - Fair weather; warmer;
northeasterly winds, becoming FAIR southeasterly. THE WEATHER IN RICHMOND

YESTERDAY was bright and clear, with falling temperature at night. State of thermometer:

Mean Temperature